

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 4, 2008 Draft Minutes

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig
Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini
Trustees: William Banks, Yoshihiko Ito
Village Engineer: John Folchetti
Village Counsel: Anthony Molé
Clerk & Temporary Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Absent:

Terri Stockburger

Pledge to flag.

Public Hearing Continued – Revision to Zoning Code

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster is continuing a Public Hearing on amendment to Chapter 170 of the Code of the Village of Brewster, entitled “zoning”, which amendment will revise chapter 170 in its entirety; this day, June 4, 2008, at Village Hall, 208 Main Street, Brewster, New York. The Public Hearing is called to order at 7:32 pm by Mayor Schoenig 2nd by Deputy Mayor Piccini, all in favor 4-0

Mr. Liguori provided comments regarding the auto dealership zone.
Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to close the Public Hearing, Mayor Schoenig seconds, all in favor 4-0

Public Hearing – New – Cable Franchise Needs and Ascertainment...

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster is holding a Public Hearing on Review and Needs Ascertainment for Cable Franchise Agreement Renewal this day, June 4, 2008, at Village Hall, 208 Main Street, Brewster, New York. The Public Hearing is called to order by Mayor Schoenig 2nd by Trustee Banks, all in favor 4-0
Mayor Schoenig requests public comment on the current cable franchise. Deputy Mayor Piccini states that the purpose of this Public Hearing is to elicit input from the public. There being no public comment, Mayor Schoenig motions to close Public Hearing, Deputy Mayor Piccini seconds, all in favor 4-0

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The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster is holding a Regular Meeting following two public hearings on June 4, 2008 at Village Hall, 208 Main Street, Brewster, New York. The meeting is called to order at by Mayor Schoenig, seconded by Trustee Banks, all in favor 4-0

1. Special Counsel Appointment - Tabled
2. Sewer:
 - a. 850 Rte. 22 (Sha-Ni-Ro) ~\$3,300 – Village Engineer John Folchetti suggests the Village reimburse Sha-ni-ro some amount to be negotiated based on a proper settlement agreement drawn up by Counselor Molé. Mayor Schoenig so motions, Deputy Mayor Piccini seconds, all in favor 4-0
3. Hudson Valley News – Company provides this magazine by subscription. No action taken.
4. Street Parking signage – Deputy Mayor Piccini notes that there are numerous missing or partially obscured signs relating to parking over most streets in the Village. Mayor Schoenig says he will instruct DPW superintendent to ascertain the signage and report back to the board on what needs to be done. Denis Castelli offered that he had provided the DPW Superintendent with photographs of all signs in the village and their location some time ago. Mr. Castelli will ensure that Mr. Crawford still has those photos.
5. Ethics Policy – The current ethics policy was written in 1990. The Board of Trustees agrees that Counselor Molé should review the current ethics policy and advise the Board on a newer more comprehensive and modern policy for all employees.
6. Summer Hours – Resolution No. 060408-1

On a motion by Mayor Schoenig, the duly constituted Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster hereby authorizes the implementation of summer hours for the employees Village Hall. Whereas, beginning June 23, 2008 the office and DPW staff will arrive at work one-half hour earlier each day of the week and leave work two and one-half hours earlier on Fridays commencing on the Friday before July 4th Holiday (June 27, 2008) and ending on the Friday before Labor Day (August 29, 2008). The Village Hall office is not to close any earlier than 1:30 p.m. with alternating coverage for the front desk.

Additionally for 2008, as July 4th falls on a Friday, that week and that week only the employees may leave work on Thursday 2 hours early (2 P.M. Office) (1:30 P.M. DPW).

Seconded by Trustee Ito

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstention 0

7. Appraisal authorization – Counselor Molé requests authorization for an appraisal of the Meriwether property needed for the condemnation proceeding. Trustee Piccini motions, Trustee Banks seconds, all in favor 4-0
8. Zoning Code
9. ZBA – appt. Board of Trustees has already appointed Clare Kropkowski to the ZBA.

10. Cable Franchise Agreement - -Board of Trustees designates by consensus Deputy Mayor Piccini and Trustee Banks to negotiate a Franchise renewal with Comcast and solicit Verizon for the Village.
11. Vouchers Payable – Mayor Schoenig motions to approve Vouchers Payable as listed, Deputy Mayor Piccini seconds, all in favor 4-0

Total of \$151,926.17 consisting of

TA -	\$1237.58
H90 –	\$124.44
H10 –	\$102,948.06
G –	\$6,315.49
F –	\$9,350.65
A –	\$31,949.95

11. New Business – Firemen’s Parade permit request for July 23, 2008 5 pm to dusk. Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the parade permit request as written and advise our police agency of same, Deputy Mayor Piccini seconds, all in favor 4-0
12. Public Comment – Mrs. Heit asks if the agreement contained in her sewer easement will be honored. Village Engineer Folchetti told her that if it is in the agreement it will be done.

Trustee Ito commented that the changes to the current version of the zoning code are stylistic changes reconciling inconsistencies in font, format, numbering, and verbiage to avoid confusion between statements in different sections. The changes are considered ministerial and not substantive changes to the code itself. Trustee Ito will meet with Deputy Mayor Piccini, Village Engineer Folchetti, Village Counsel Molé and Code Committee member Gress to review all suggested changes and finalize the code for adoption intended for June 18, 2008.

13. Executive Session – Mayor Schoenig motions to go into Executive session to discuss a contractual issue surrounding Parking. Deputy Mayor Piccini seconds, all in favor 4-0

Mayor Schoenig motions to come out of Executive session Deputy Mayor Piccini seconds, all in favor 4-0

14. Adjourn - Mayor Schoenig motions to adjourn, Deputy Mayor Piccini seconds, all in favor 4-0